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NYSDOT Project Development Process Flow Chart:

The following fold-out, Exhibit 1-1, contains the NYSDOT Project Development Process Flow Chart. This flow chart was developed to help explain the complexities of the project development process to new Department staff, outside agencies, and the public. The complexities in the project development process primarily arise from:

- the state and federal laws and regulations;
- the need for interagency and public coordination; and
- the magnitude of inter-modal transportation systems planning efforts, the engineering work and the environmental assessment needed to develop a successful transportation project.

The flow chart was created to cover a wide range of projects. However, it does not cover every project and does not cover some of the simple maintenance type projects. While the flow chart is representative of the process, it does not show all of the possible interactions between the process steps and phases.

The flow chart should not be used in place of the steps and procedures in this manual and does not change any existing Department policies or procedures. Any perceived change in the process is merely due to the simplification needed to illustrate the process on an 279 mm x 432 mm (11" x 17") sheet of paper.